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ATTY.'S DOCKET: NEKRASOV2 In re Application of: Art Unit: 1743) Victor V. NEKRASOV et al Examiner: Yelena G. Gakh) Appln. No.: 10/681,262 Washington, D.C.) Filed: October 9, 2003) Confirmation No. 5994 For: METHOD FOR ASSAYING April 23, 2008) MULTI-COMPONENT...

REPLY: AMENDMENT AND REMARKS

Honorable Commissioner for Patents U.S. Patent and Trademark Office Customer Service Window Randolph Building, Mail Stop **AF** 401 Dulany Street Alexandria, VA 22314

Sir:

Replying to the Office Action mailed November 23, 2007, for which a two-month extension of time to respond is hereby requested, please amend as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Amendments to the Abstract begin on page 4 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.